of the code and propose to submit their recommendations to Government;

(c) if so, whether they have since submitted their recommendations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) No recommendation from National Commission for Women has been received.

Release of compensation to farmers of Jammu and Kashmir

*477. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 203 given in the Rajya Sabha on 2nd February, 2005 and state:

(a) whether the released amount of compensation has since been distributed to the affected persons; and

(b) by when the total compensation sanctioned is likely to be released?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Out of Rs. 72,29,26,646/- placed at the disposal of concerned Deputy Commissioners (D.C.), a sum of Rs,. 45,29,79,325/- has been disbursed by DCs to the affected persons as on date.

(b) Out of Rs. 75,74,55,358/- sanctioned to the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir as crop/rental compensation for occupation of lands in connection with Operation Parakram, Rs. 72,29,26,646/- has already been released to the Deputy Commissioners. A sum of Rs. 3,17,74,995/-, though sanctioned, was not found admissible later on detailed scrutiny and hence not released. The remaining sum of Rs. 27,53,717/- could not be released earlier due to non verification of sites. The release of said amount is now under process.

Sale of obsolete armaments and equipments as scrap

*478. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Army has proposed to put up for sale, as scrap, a massive inventory of its obsolete armaments and equipments, including the 800 Vijayanta tanks, hundreds of guns and artillery pieces; and